GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT
LOK SABHA

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LEGISLATION TO MAKE EDUCATION A FUNDAMENTAL RIGHT
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Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government is contemplating to bring a legislation to make education a fundamental right particularly upto intermediate level;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) if not, the reasons therefor?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRI M.A.A. FATMI);

(a) to (c) The Constitution of India has been amended, making education for all children in the 6-14 age group a fundamental right under Article 21-A. The enabling legislation to enforce this right has not yet been finalised. There is, at present, no proposal to make education a fundamental right up to intermediate level.